

"Hereafter only enrolled members of the Yakima Tribes of one-fourth or more blood of such tribes shall take by inheritance or by will any interest in that part of the restricted or trust estate of a deceased member of such tribes which came to the decedent through his membership in such tribes or which consists of any interest in or the rents, issues, or profits from an allotment of land within the Yakima Reservation or within the area ceded by the treaty of June 9, 1855 (12 Stat. 951), except that a surviving spouse of less than one-fourth of the blood of the Yakima Tribes may receive by inheritance or devise the use for life of one-half of the restricted or trust lands of the decedent located within the Yakima Reservation or within the area ceded by the said treaty of June 9, 1855."

A copy of the House Report No. 2484, 79th Congress, dated July 19, 1946, follows:

[House of Representatives, 79th Cong., second sess., Rept. No. 2484]

PROVIDING FOR PREPARATION OF A MEMBERSHIP ROLL OF THE INDIANS OF THE YAKIMA RESERVATION, WASH.

The Committee on Indian Affairs to whom was referred the bill (H.R. 6165) which directs that the Secretary of the Interior prepare a roll showing the members of the Yakima Tribes and which shall constitute the official membership roll of the Yakima Tribes for all purposes, having considered the same, report favorably thereon with an amendment and recommend that the bill as amended do pass.

The amendment is as follows:

On pages 4 and 5 delete section 7 in its entirety and substitute therefore as section 7 the words:

"Hereafter only enrolled members of the Yakima Tribes of one-fourth or more blood of such tribes shall take by inheritance or by will any interest in that part of the restricted or trust estate of a deceased member of such tribes which came to the decedent through his membership in such tribes or which consists of any interest in or the rents, issues, or profits from an allotment of land within the Yakima Reservation or within the area ceded by the treaty of June 9, 1855 (12 Stat. 951), except that a surviving spouse of less than one-fourth of the blood of the Yakima Tribes may receive by inheritance or devise the use for life of one-half of the restricted or trust lands of the decedent located within the Yakima Reservation or within the area ceded by the said treaty of June 9, 1855."

This amendment has been incorporated in this bill at the suggestion of the Department of the Interior in order to clarify the intent of this act. The Interior Department is in favor of the passage of this bill and has recommended its enactment.

The original bill was formulated as a result of the requests of the members of the Yakima Tribal Council. The Committee has accordingly considered this bill and recommends its successful passage.

July 16, 1946: Passed the House as amended by the Committee, without debate. A copy of that part of the Congressional Record of July 16, 1946, which records the procedure followed, is as follows:

[From the Congressional Record, July 16, 1946]

PREPARATION OF MEMBERSHIP ROLL OF YAKIMA INDIANS

The bill (H.R. 6165) to provide for the preparation of a membership roll of the Indians of the Yakima Reservation, Wash., and for other purposes, was considered, ordered to a third reading, read the third time, and passed.

YAKIMA RESERVATION INDIANS

The Clerk called the bill (H.R. 6165) to provide for the preparation of a membership roll of the Indians of the Yakima Reservation, Wash., and for other purposes.

There being no objection, the Clerk read the bill, as follows:

Be it enacted, etc., That the Secretary of the Interior be, and he is hereby, authorized and directed, with the advice and consent of the Yakima Tribal Council, to prepare a roll showing the members of the Yakima Tribes living on the date of the approval of this act, which roll shall be kept current and shall constitute the official membership roll of the Yakima Tribes for all purposes. No